

## All Sorts of Neckpieces



Just how it happened is one of those things that cannot be explained, but in this year of grace May and June beheld the summer girl (and the matron) bedecking themselves with light neckpieces of fur. No matter how summery the gown and hat, the thin silk hose and light, low shoes, a scarf of white fox hugged the throats of about nine out of ten of those who keep up with the merry pace of fads.

In the wake of summer furs—which looked especially well with white turbans—came other neckwear, and now there is a limitless variety from which to choose, with a growing demand to inspire its expansion. Next after white fox come the angora pieces. These are shown in short collars, like that at the upper right in the picture, and in short boas. Smart big pompons made of the fur, to match these neckpieces, are worn on small hats and turbans. The little

angora collar shown here is finished with an ermine tail and head, and ties of ribbon.

The ostrich boa in white and black, in all white, or in white with a color matching the suit, cannot be said to take second place, although it followed the neckpiece of fur in popular favor. Just now it is in more general demand than any other and heads the list of favorite neckpieces. The newest ostrich boas are short and finished with long tassels of narrow silk braid. Nestling in the long and dainty fibers are beautiful millinery roses in a small cluster, or a single rose and bud shows off to wonderful advantage so placed. These ruffs are fastened with tassels hanging at the back. Occasionally a short neckpiece of white marabou is seen, but the longer flue of the ostrich makes it the favorite.

Besides furs and feathers there are the collars of malines and nets made in variety so great that everyone may be suited.

## Favorite Fashions in Parasols



As varied as the flowers of the field, and as gay, your parasol this season may be of any shape or color you choose. If you incline to a plain one-color design, then select one of the new shapes—a pagoda parasol or one of those flat, Chinese-looking affairs.

These shapes and the small umbrella style, like those shown in the picture, are displayed in the shops in green, cerise, blue, tan, and other colors, banded with black-and-white stripes or with Dresden designs in flowered borders. Black-and-white checkerboard silks have been used with fine effect on both white and colored models. Vivid green, bordered with black-and-white stripes, and a darker green with a wide band of Dresden ribbon inserted, are among the most attractive and the most useful designs and have been almost as successful as the various black-and-

white combinations so popular.

Two of the latter, as pictured here, are good examples of the success of black and white in entire coverings for parasols.

In the black one at the left of the picture, the bands of white silk are let in with hemstitching in heavy white silk. It adds immensely to the attraction of the bands.

The parasol of black-and-white stripe bordered with plain black probably stands at the head of the list of popular favorites. It looks well with any costume and is as sparkling as the summer sunshine.

It is a good idea to try the effect of colored silk in the complexion before making a choice of one. But white or black and white are safe—they always throw a pretty light upon the skin.

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## SEES GREAT YIELD

FORMER AUDITOR VISITS 38 COUNTIES IN STATE.

## EXPECTS LARGEST WHEAT CROP

Reports Conditions North of Platte Better Than South—Declares Corn Somewhat Backward.

## COMING EVENTS.

Old Soldiers' and Settlers' reunion, Minatare, August 26-29.  
Annual Chautauqua of Nebraska Business Men's Outing association, Carter Lake, Omaha, August 2 to 8.  
Third annual tractor meet, Fremont, August 9 to 14.  
Conference of United Evangelist Churches of Nebraska, Omaha, August 26-30.  
Nebraska State Fair, Lincoln, September 6 to 11.  
State Tennis Tournament, Lincoln, July 26 to 31.  
Nebraska Epworth Assembly, Lincoln, August 2 to 12.  
National Farmers' Union eleventh annual convention, Lincoln, Sept. 6.  
National convention of Letter Carriers, Omaha, September 5 to 10.

Lincoln.—Wheat in Nebraska will go as high as fifty bushels to the acre, according to former Deputy State Auditor W. L. Minor, who returned from a 2,000 mile automobile tour of the state. Despite heavy damage in some localities from rain and hail, Mr. Minor believes Nebraska will harvest one of its largest wheat crops. Mr. Minor visited thirty-eight counties, nineteen of which were in the North Platte territory. Conditions north of the Platte are much better than south, the rainfall having been better distributed with practically no hail. "In Phelps, Frontier and Gosper counties, I saw fields of wheat which will yield as high as 50 bushels to the acre—the finest wheat I have ever seen," said Mr. Minor. "Corn is backward in all sections, but with a few weeks of seasonable weather Nebraska should have an excellent crop. Potatoes will yield heavier than ever before. Hay and alfalfa are in remarkable condition. Along the Republican river where drouth conditions were particularly severe during the past five years, there is too much water this year."

## Use Beer Kegs on Binders.

Fairbury.—The farmers of this section of Nebraska, in their eagerness to harvest wheat crop before it becomes too ripe and while the ground is still soft, have put in operation a simple inexpensive attachment to prevent the harvester bull wheel from miring in the fields. This device is nothing more than ordinary beer keg with a hollow two-inch gas pipe run through the center for an axis. Each end of the axis is attached to a heavy iron brace rod about fourteen inches long and the braces are attached to the rear frame of the binder with the aid of clamps bolted. When the heavy bull wheel begins to mire the weight is immediately transferred to the wide banded trailer and the harvesting proceeds even if the ground is quite soft.

## Two Drown at Wausa.

Wausa.—Edward Lang, a farmer, living four miles south of here, was drowned, together with his 12-year-old son. The boy started to ride a horse across a creek swollen by heavy rains, and the current swept the horse away. Lang jumped in to rescue the boy, and succeeded in reaching him. The current was so strong, he was unable to make headway, and was carried down the stream and both were drowned.

## Second Bloom for Season.

Weeping Water.—The extremely wet weather of the season is producing some phenomenal plant growths here. One of the most remarkable sights reported so far, is a yard in which some snowball and lilac bushes are breaking forth in bloom again.

## Potatoes Maturing on Vine.

Hastings.—Nineteen well developed potatoes growing upon one vine like so many tomatoes found in the patch of L. J. Siekman here will probably develop a new variety, according to Prof. Baer, high school agricultural specialist.

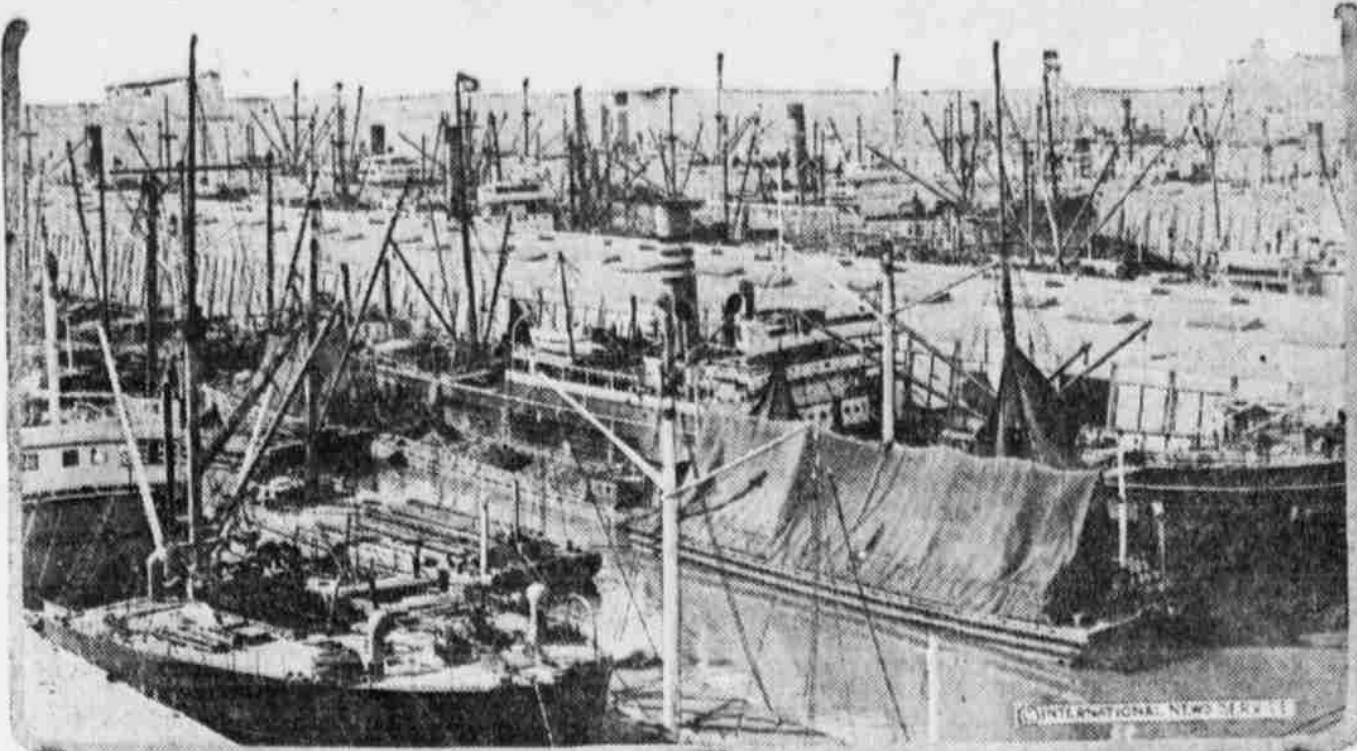
## More Cattle Slain Near Brady.

North Platte.—Thirty-eight cattle carcasses have been found with throats cut and brands cut out near Brady. As a result stockmen of that vicinity are becoming worried.

## Tragedy in Grand Island.

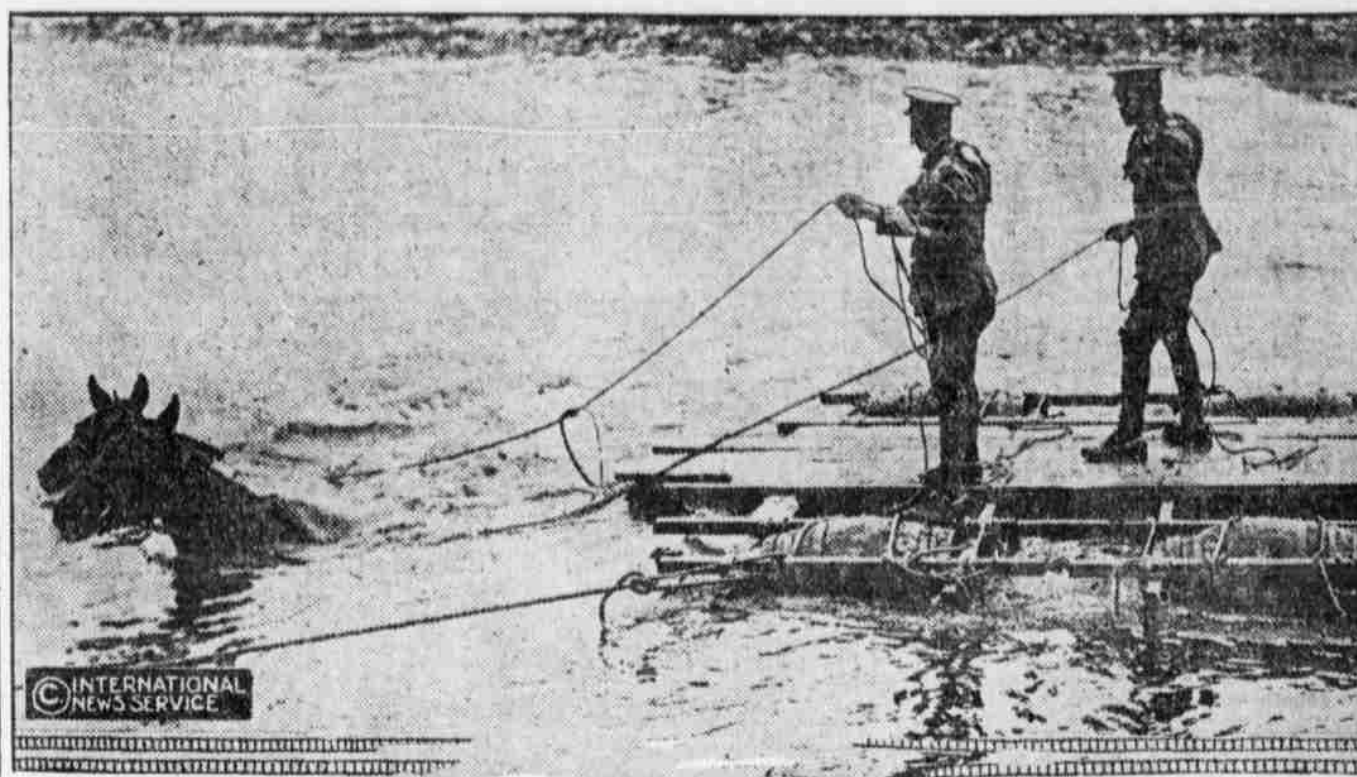
Grand Island.—Ed Kinney shot and instantly killed Charles Meyers, an insurance agent. The tragedy took place on one of the most crowded streets in the city. Kinney was arrested by Chief of Police Snodgrass.

## LOADING WAR MUNITIONS FOR EUROPEAN NATIONS



Immense fleet of ocean-going vessels of all types engaged in taking on cargoes at the Bush Terminal docks in Brooklyn. Practically all the shipments are said to be for the allies.

## VARIED TRAINING FOR BRITISH RECRUITS



The many things that are taught the recruits for the British army keep them in training camp for a long time. Two of them are here shown learning how to swim horses across a stream, guiding them from a raft.

## GERMAN EMPEROR TAKES TEA



The Kaiser and his brother, Prince Henry of Prussia, are seen here at the headquarters of General von Heeringen, who is in command against Reims. The three sat down to tea and discussed the plans of campaign.

## BRITISH AIDING THE SERBIANS



Some of the first expeditionary party of British sent to Serbia fighting beside the Serbians in the trenches.

## RETURN TO STEEL HELMETS



The French infantry are being equipped with light steel helmets that to a certain extent protect the head against projectiles. The helmets are painted blue to match the uniform.

## Rich Man's Fad.

"Speaking of starting things and not finishing them," said a New York business man. "See that old fellow over there?" pointing to a gray-haired, stalwart-looking man. "That's Colonel Blank, whose fortune runs in the seven figures. He has a curious habit of carrying a memorandum book around with him and whenever he spends any money he jots down the figures. One day I got talking to him about it and he pulled the book out of his pocket to show me. What was my amazement on looking at it to discover that not one of the pages was totaled up. I asked him, naturally, whether he never added the columns to find how much he was spending. He told me that he did not and never had; the practice was too discouraging. A sense of duty impelled him to put down the items, but there he stopped. An interesting man, although a trifle eccentric."

## She Baked a Million Pies.

Lehigh county lost one of its famous pie bakers when Sally Knauss, aged eighty-four, who had been an inmate of the county home longer than any other person, died after a six months' illness of Bright's disease. Since it took some hundred pies each week for the big county home family, it is estimated that in the 58 years she was there she baked, or supervised the baking of, fully 1,000,000 pies.—Allentown (Pa.) Dispatch to Philadelphia Record.